

A NEW STATION FOR THREE LOCAL APPALACHIAN PLANTS.—In 1894, Dr. J. K. Small described (Mem. Torr. Bot. Club 4: 112) a new species of native clover, *Trifolium virginicum*, as “growing on rocky slopes of Kate’s Mountain, Greenbrier County, West Virginia, in company with *Clematis ovata*.” This is the only station given for this species in the seventh edition of Gray’s Manual and in the second edition of Britton & Brown’s Illustrated Flora. The species is omitted entirely from Dr. Small’s Flora of the Southeastern United States, which covers the area from North Carolina southward. But Miss L. F. McDermott, who in 1908 published a monograph of the “North American Trifoliums,” reducing the plant to a variety of *Trifolium reflexum* L., states that it is “abundant throughout the Appalachian Mountains of the eastern United States,” though she cites specimens only from Kate’s Mountain. The only specimens of it in the Gray Herbarium are also from Kate’s Mountain and Dr. Small has recently written me that “to say that the species is common in the Appalachian Mountains, may be prophecy, but such a statement certainly cannot be backed by good evidence.”

My interest in the distribution of the plant arose from the fact that besides having collected it on Kate’s Mountain I have also found it growing on a slaty hillside at Virginia Hot Springs, Bath County, Virginia. That conditions here were very similar to those on Kate’s Mountain was evidenced by the fact that with it at the Hot Springs was growing *Clematis ovata*, Pursh, the distribution of which is given in Dr. Small’s Flora as “in dry soil, Kate’s Mountain, West Virginia, and apparently first collected on Negroes Head, a mountain of the Blue Ridge in South Carolina or Georgia.” With it there was also found the rare and local *Pseudotaenidia montana*, Mackenzie, for which Kate’s Mountain and Luray Cavern are the only localities mentioned in Gray’s Manual. Specimens of these three species from the Hot Springs have not been deposited in the Gray Herbarium.—F. W. HUNNEWELL, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

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